

What is claimed is:

1. A frame system for mounting or displaying a poster or other sheet material comprising:

frame members adapted to be secured together to form a base structure; a clamping structure adapted for engagement with said base structure to retain the poster therebetween, said clamping structure including clamping members adapted to engage said frame members, said clamping structure further including pegs on one of said frame members and said clamping members and corresponding receiving holes on the other of said frame members and said clamping members, said receiving holes being adapted to receive said pegs to retain the poster between said clamping members and said frame members.

2. A system as set forth in claim 1 wherein said base structure comprises four frame members, each of said frame members extending between a pair of inwardly angled ends, and each of said angled ends adapted to be fit together with an adjacent complementary end.

3. A system as set forth in claim 2 wherein said ends of said frame members includes one of a tenon and a mortise hole, and said adjacent complementary end of said adjacent frame member includes the other one of a complementary mortise hole and a tenon, said tenon and said mortise holes adapted for mating engagement to thereby secure said adjacent frame members.

4. A system as set forth in claim 3 therein each of said tenons and said mortises includes one of said receiving holes which are aligned when said tenon and said mortise are in mating engagement, and each of said holes is adapted to receive one of said pegs on said clamping member to thereby secure adjacent of said frame members.

5           5.       A system as set forth in claim 3 wherein each of said frame members includes a mortise hole on one of said ends thereof and a tenon on the opposite one of said ends.

10           6.       A system as set forth in claim 3 wherein two of said frame members include mortise holes on each of said ends thereof and the other two of said frame members includes tenons on each of said ends thereof.

15           7.       A system as set forth in claim 3 wherein said tenons and said mortise holes extend in the same direction as said angled end.

20           8.       A system as set forth in claim 3 wherein said tenons each extend at generally at a right angle with respect to said frame member, and said mortise holes each extend generally in the same direction as the frame member.

25           9.       A system as set forth in claim 3 wherein said frame members include a flat front surface, said front flat surface including a plurality of said receiving holes.

30           10.      A system as set forth in claim 9 wherein said clamping members include a bottom flat surface, said bottom flat surface including a plurality of pegs adapted for engagement with said receiving holes.

25           11.      A system as set forth in claim 10 wherein said frame members further include a shoulder extending from said flat front surface, said shoulder and said front flat surface defining a channel for receiving said clamping members.

30           12.      A system as set forth in claim 10 further including a protective layer adapted for disposition between said frame members and said clamping members, said protective layer including a plurality of holes therethrough at the periphery thereof for receiving the pegs to thereby secure said protective layer between said frame members and said clamping members.

5           13. A system as set forth in claim 10 further including a poster adapted for disposition between said frame members and said clamping members, said poster including a plurality of holes therethrough at the periphery thereof for receiving said pegs to thereby secure said protective layer between said frame members and said clamping members.

10           14. A frame system for mounting or displaying a poster or other sheet material comprising:

                  a plurality of frame members adapted to be secured together to form a base structure; and

15            a plurality of separate clamping members adapted for independent detachable connection with said base structure to retain the poster between said base structure and said clamping members.

20           15. A system as set forth in claim 14 wherein said clamping members secure adjacent of and frame members together when connected with said base structure.

25           16. A system as set forth in claim 15 wherein said base structure comprises four frame members, each of said frame members extending between a pair of inwardly angled ends, and each of said angled ends adapted to be fit together with an adjacent complementary end.

30           17. A system as set forth in claim 16 further including pegs on one of said frame members and said clamping members and corresponding receiving holes on the other of said frame members and said clamping members, said receiving holes being adapted to receive said pegs to retain the poster between said clamping members and said frame members.

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5            18. A system as set forth in claim 17 wherein said ends of said frame members includes one of a tenon and a mortise hole, and said adjacent complementary end of said adjacent frame member includes the other one of a complementary mortise hole and a tenon, said tenon and said mortise holes adapted for mating engagement to thereby secure said adjacent frame members.

10            19. A system as set forth in claim 18 therein each of said tenons and said mortises includes one of said receiving holes which are aligned when said tenon and said mortise are in mating engagement, and each of said holes is adapted to receive one of said pegs on said clamping member to thereby secure adjacent of said frame members.

15            20. A system as set forth in claim 18 wherein each of said frame members includes a mortise hole on one of said ends thereof and a tenon on the opposite one of said ends.

20            21. A system as set forth in claim 18 wherein two of said frame members include mortise holes on each of said ends thereof and the other two of said frame members includes tenons on each of said ends thereof.

25            22. A system as set forth in claim 18 wherein said tenons and said mortise holes extend in the same direction as said angled end.

26            23. A system as set forth in claim 18 wherein said tenons each extend at generally at a right angle with respect to said frame member, and said mortise holes each extend generally in the same direction as the frame member.

30            24. A system as set forth in claim 17 wherein said frame members include a flat front surface, said front flat surface including a plurality of said receiving holes.

5            25. A system as set forth in claim 24 wherein said clamping members include a bottom flat surface, said bottom flat surface including a plurality of pegs adapted for engagement with said receiving holes.

10            26. A system as set forth in claim 25 wherein said frame members further include a shoulder extending from said flat front surface, said shoulder and said front flat surface defining a channel for receiving said clamping members.

15            27. A system as set forth in claim 26 further including a protective layer adapted for disposition between said frame members and said clamping members, said protective layer including a plurality of holes therethrough at the periphery thereof for receiving the pegs to thereby secure said protective layer between said frame members and said clamping members.

20            28. A system as set forth in claim 25 further including a poster adapted for disposition between said frame members and said clamping members, said poster including a plurality of holes therethrough at the periphery thereof for receiving said pegs to thereby secure said protective layer between said frame members and said clamping members.

25            29. A kit for framing a poster or other sheet material comprising:  
                  a canister comprising a generally tubular canister body, and at least one canister endcap;  
                  a plurality of separate frame members adapted to be secured together to form a base structure;  
                  a plurality of separate clamping members adapted for independent detachable connection with said base structure to retain the poster between said base structure and said clamping members; and  
                  a sheet material to be retained between said base structure and said clamping members.

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30. A kit as set forth in claim 29 further including a protective cover to be retained between said base structure and said clamping member.

5 31. A kit as set forth in claim 29 further including a stopper to separate said canister into first and second volumes, wherein said frame members and said clamping members are in said first volume.

10 32. A kit as set forth in claim 29 further including a novelty item in said second volume.

15 33. A kit as set forth in claim 29 wherein said clamping members secure adjacent of and frame members together when connected with said base structure.

20 34. A kit as set forth in claim 33 wherein said base structure comprises four frame members, each of said frame members extending between a pair of inwardly angled ends, and each of said angled ends adapted to be fit together with an adjacent complementary end.

25 35. A kit as set forth in claim 34 further including pegs on one of said frame members and said clamping members and corresponding receiving holes on the other of said frame members and said clamping members, said receiving holes being adapted to receive said pegs to retain the poster between said clamping members and said frame members.

30 36. A kit as set forth in claim 35 wherein said ends of said frame members includes one of a tenon and a mortise hole, and said adjacent complementary end of said adjacent frame member includes the other one of a complementary mortise hole and a tenon, said tenon and said mortise holes adapted for mating engagement to thereby secure said adjacent frame members.

5           37. A kit as set forth in claim 36 therein each of said tenons and said mortises includes one of said receiving holes which are aligned when said tenon and said mortise are in mating engagement, and each of said holes is adapted to receive one of said pegs on said clamping member to thereby secure adjacent of said frame members.

10           38. A kit as set forth in claim 36 wherein each of said frame members includes a mortise hole on one of said ends thereof and a tenon on the opposite one of said ends.

15           39. A kit as set forth in claim 36 wherein two of said frame members include mortise holes on each of said ends thereof and the other two of said frame members includes tenons on each of said ends thereof.

20           40. A kit as set forth in claim 36 wherein said tenons and said mortise holes extend in the same direction as said angled end.

25           41. A kit as set forth in claim 36 wherein said tenons each extend at generally at a right angle with respect to said frame member, and said mortise holes each extend generally in the same direction as the frame member.

30           42. A kit as set forth in claim 35 wherein said frame members include a flat front surface, said front flat surface including a plurality of said receiving holes.

25           43. A kit as set forth in claim 42 wherein said clamping members include a bottom flat surface, said bottom flat surface including a plurality of pegs adapted for engagement with said receiving holes.

30           44. A kit as set forth in claim 43 wherein said frame members further include a shoulder extending from said flat front surface, said shoulder and said front flat surface defining a channel for receiving said clamping members.

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45. A kit as set forth in claim 44 further including a protective layer adapted for disposition between said frame members and said clamping members, said protective layer including a plurality of holes therethrough at the periphery thereof for receiving the pegs to thereby secure said protective layer between said frame members and said clamping members.

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46. A kit as set forth in claim 43 further including a poster adapted for disposition between said frame members and said clamping members, said poster including a plurality of holes therethrough at the periphery thereof for receiving said pegs to thereby secure said protective layer between said frame members and said clamping members.

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